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1. INTRODUCTION

Summer operational thunderstorm probability forecasts, developed by Reap and Foster (1975), were implemented during June 1975. These forecasts were distributed to forecast offices nationwide via facsimile and the FAA's request/reply system. They were designed to be used as guidance material for forecasters preparing local and regional forecasts. This paper describes our verification of the thunderstorm probability forecasts issued during the 1975 summer season.

2. THUNDERSTORM PROBABILITY

The thunderstorm probability forecasts were based on equations derived by applying multiple screening regression techniques to model predictors archived on magnetic tape and to predictands tabulated from manually-digitized radar (MDR) data (Reap and Foster, 1975). The model predictors were 24-hr forecasts from the National Meteorological Center (NMC) six-layer primitive equation model and the Techniques Development Laboratory (TDL) three-dimensional trajectory model. The MDR data were collected from hourly teletype reports and archived on magnetic tape. The data were coded for blocks 40-45 nautical miles on a side, whose configuration is shown in figure 1. An MDR value of 4 or greater observed within the period \pm 3 hours from 0000 GMT defined a thunderstorm occurrence. As a result, probabilities developed are valid for a 6-hr period centered at 0000 GMT for each block in the MDR grid area shown in figure 1. In effect, this corresponds to a 21-27 hr forecast based on 0000 GMT initial data.

3. VERIFICATION METHOD

Verification was completed in two steps. First, an intermediate data set was created composed of individual daily records containing the forecast probability value and highest MDR code reported for each MDR block in the 6-hr period centered on 0000 GMT. In the second step, verification statistics were actually computed from the intermediate data set and tabulated for visual inspection.

There are a number of verification statistics and scores available for measuring the accuracy of probability forecasts. We decided on two scores that we believe provide sufficient information for a comprehensive analysis of the forecasts.

These scores were computed for individual MDR blocks for 10 probability categories, for each MDR block for all categories, for the whole MDR grid for all categories. Limits of the 10 forecast probability categories selected

were as follows: 0.00 to 0.09, 0.10 to 0.19, 0.20 to 0.29, , 0.90 to 0.99. The basic tabulation consisted of the number of forecasts and the number of thunderstorm occurrences for each MDR grid block and for each category. From this tabulation a forecast score, F, and a P score were computed for each MDR block and for each forecast category. The F score used here is defined as:

$$F = \frac{(N \times R) - O}{N} \times 100$$

where

N = Number of forecasts

R = Average probability of those forecasts

O = Number of thunderstorm occurrences

For example, if there were 100 forecasts within the 50% to 59% probability category, with a mean probability of 55%, and 55 thunderstorms occurred, F score would be 0 percent (perfect). If there were no occurrences, F score would be +55% (overforecast). If the average probability was 0 percent and 55 thunderstorms occurred, F would be -55% (underforecast). The range of F is from +100 to +100 percent, with 0 percent being a perfect score. This F score may be considered a measure of bias or forecast reliability.

The P score as used here is defined as:

$$P = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (R_i - I_i)^2 \times 100$$

A perfect score is 0 and worst possible score is 100. The P score measures both reliability and resolution, i.e., the ability of the predictive equation to correctly forecast extreme probability values. When applied to a single probability category as in table 1, it measures primarily only reliability just as the F score, but with greater emphasis on large errors.

4. VERIFICATION STATISTICS

Table 1 shows a sample listing of the raw statistics for the entire MDR grid for each day of the verification period, which included a few test runs made in early June followed by a fairly complete series of operational forecasts from June 12 to September 30. The tenth category, 0.90 to 0.99, was not included since no forecasts were made for this category. In the fourth column from the right there is tabulated the sum of the thunderstorm occurrences for that date. To the right of this column is tabulated the sum of the forecast blocks expected to have thunderstorm occurrences for that date, i.e., the sum of the forecast probabilities. To the right of this column are the F score and the P score for the whole MDR grid for that date.

Table 2 shows a listing of verification statistics for each MDR block during the entire verification period. The I and J block identifiers refer to those illustrated in table 1. For example, Kansas City lies in

MDR block identified by $I = 10$ and $J = 14$. Referring to this block in table 2, one sees that 28 forecasts were made in the 0.00 to 0.09 category. Two forecasts were accompanied by thunderstorms for an F score of 3 percent and a P score of 7. For all categories there were 16 forecasts accompanied by thunderstorms. According to the average probability, one would expect 20 thunderstorm occurrences for that block. This makes an F score of 3 percent, just slightly overforecast, and a P score of 13. In this way a reader may determine how accurate the guidance was for any locality in the MDR grid.

Table 3 shows a summary of statistics for each forecast category for the entire MDR grid for the June-September verification period. Of the 81,234 forecasts made, 19,706 had thunderstorm occurrences. This resulted in an average probability of occurrence of 24 percent. The average forecast probability was 23 percent, or 18,658 forecasts expected to be accompanied by thunderstorms. The overall F scores was -1 percent, slightly underforecast, and the total P score was 0.15. (The P score in this table has not been multiplied by 100.) For the whole grid, the thunderstorm probability forecast equation performed quite well. However, when examining the F score on a regional level (see figure 2), underforecasting was found over the southern states. P scores (see figure 3) were also higher for the same area. Tables 2 and 3 show that forecasts in categories between 0.40 and 0.69 would have verified better if they had been one or two categories higher especially in the southern states. The daily F scores (table 1) showed more days with minus scores than plus scores, but there appeared no definite trend throughout the season. We believe that the primary cause of underforecasting was the large departure of daily thunderstorm frequencies from the six-month average frequencies used in developing the forecast equation. Steps have been taken to correct this deficiency for the 1976 season as explained below.

5. SUMMARY AND FUTURE PLANS

The thunderstorm probability forecasts, when verified for the whole MDR grid and for the whole season, were excellent. However, when studied on a regional basis the probabilities were generally too low over the southern states where thunderstorm frequencies are the highest.

Future plans call for updating the current thunderstorm probability equation by including both 1974 and 1975 MDR data in the development sample. Daily frequencies interpolated from monthly values will be offered as a predictor instead of six-month average frequencies in deriving the regression equation for 1976. Monthly values will be applied at the middle of the month and a linear interpolation applied on a day-to-day basis between mid-months. We also plan to develop a separate thunderstorm equation for the winter season from January through March.

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Table 1.

**24-HOUR THUNDERSTORM PROBABILITY FORECAST VERIFICATION
BY MANUALLY DIGITIZED RADAR ECHOES WITH MRFC CODE GE 4, OCCURRING + OR
FOR THE DATES INDICATED**

DATE	PROB	CAT	F	P	S	S
.00-.09	N	0 F P	N	O F P	N	X
604 147	1 -1	8 384	3 10 133	6 15	57 13 11	18
610 132	1 -1	212 33	0 13 183	7 -1	19	90 36 -5
612 139	0 7 1	240 31	2 11 167	6 9	108 27	9 19
613 134	1 -8 1	337 28	6 8 135	5 15	62 28 -1	1 26
614 84	15 -9 16	371 57	0 13 208	26 12	63 28 -10	24
615 29	12 -2 7	208 11	10 6 218	31 12	12 12	18 84 -11
616 125	0 4 2	226 11	1 6 111	12 11	12 11	127 82 -2
617 82	1 7 2	358 56	-1 13 188	6 10	8 23	59 10 18
618 90	0 7 1	233 9	10 5 149	17 12	17 12	177 34 15
619 28	1 -1 4	158 15	15 7 9	315 52	9 15 164	51 3
620 19	5 -20 23	145 26	-2 15 281	69 18	226 89 -5	24 24 22
621 75	1 -5 20	219 23	3 15 261	66 12	24 179 80 -5	26 24 23
622 86	0 6 0	119 23	2 12 155	51 3	124 80 -12	27 18 23
623 84	0 -1 4	139 27	-5 16 243	34 12	13 12 13	208 130 -28
625 26	0 6 0	166 27	0 13 357	40 2	17 15 67 -1	11 25 23
626 78	0 6 0	159 22	3 12 299	64 3	17 155 43 6	20 16 20
627 102	0 2 5	159 22	1 12 159	51 3	17 169 80 -13	27 16 20
628 96	1 -1 5	202 19	3 10 253	74 -6	21 195 67 0	22 22 20
629 51	2 -3 4	164 33	-4 16 324	103 -7	22 152 76 -16	27 36 29
630 64	8 -7 1	11 166	1 9 7	310 106	-9 23 149	54 -3 23
701 134	1 -6 1	222 22	5 9 247	78 -7	23 110 46 -7	24 24 23
702 129	2 -1 6	222 22	7 7 289	74 -7	19 42 -22 28	15 11 -29 28
703 76	1 -1 6	197 12	9 7 314	71 -2	17 97 37 -3	24 33 24 -29 28
704 12	1 -1 8	226 47	-5 17 332	103 -7	22 126 58 -8	25 39 17 0
705 95	3 -1 5	127 19	1 12 312	67 3	17 146 48	52 22 16 12
706 76	1 -1 6	162 20	4 11 231	68 3	15 148 50	3 22 76 33
707 56	7 -7 1	136 22	-1 13 153	35 2	17 215 73 1	22 139 70 -7
708 10	0 9 1	262 22	7 9 228	64 -3	20 101 44 -9	25 111 60 -9
709 75	3 -4 4	208 47	-7 17 188	65 -8	24 110 55 -11	26 107 58 -9
710 73	14 -1 13	186 20	4 10 235	76 -8	22 102 65 -19	28 108 58 -9
711 122	18 -8 13	203 40	5 16 178	40 3	18 104 40 -4	24 64 42 -21 26
712 103	10 -1 8	217 49	-8 18 212	74 -10	24 99 44 -10	26 55 33 -15 27
713 143	9 -2 6	243 58	-9 19 177	59 -9	23 77 27 -1	23 68 22 13 24
714 139	14 -2 9	203 26	1 11 197	39 5	17 105 35 2	22 73 42 -14 27
715 95	0 9 1	318 8	8 6 165	20 16	176 76 30 -5	24 23 17 25 9
716 130	2 -6 2	327 31	5 8 129	30 0	18 52 10 16 18	54 28 -7 25 3
717 92	2 -6 2	348 19	9 6 161	14 15	10 60 3 30 14	48 11 21 22 28
718 105	10 -1 8	17 49	-8 18 212	74 -10	24 99 44 -10	26 55 33 -15 27
719 35	4 -5 10	133 26	-2 16 243	58 -9	19 142 70 -15	27 60 32 -9 25
720 46	6 -28 31	100 23	-7 19 295	45 0	17 225 95 -8	25 76 40 -7 25
721 45	0 8 1	90 14	3 295 33	12 13	230 87 -3	24 110 57 -7 25
722 69	0 9 1	257 16	8 6 206	36 -2	20 93 52 -22 29	89 49 -10 26 3
723 88	0 6 0	187 8	12 5 235	64 -3	19 134 62 -12	27 68 32 -3 25
724 64	0 6 0	111 14	4 7 251	0 1	14 125 11 0	14 26 18 27 22
725 77	0 8 2	105 8	7 205 43	-2 127	141 82 -10 27	14 75 50 -22 27
726 143	1 -1 7	196 19	5 9 207	8 16	29 78 43 -21 29	55 35 -18 26 37
727 122	0 4 4	242 9	1 2 242	9 16	15 5 185 39 4	16 78 43 -21 29
728 256	36	30 -11	4 39 -27	8 24	8 61 -12 20	8 6 -13 20

Table 1. (continued)

Table 2.

24-HOUR THUNDERSTORM PROBABILITY FORECAST VERIFICATION
BY MANUALLY DIGITIZED RADAR ECHOES WITH MDR CODE GE 4.
109-DAY VERIFICATION FOR 75060100 THROUGH 75053000

BLOCK	I	J	PROB	CAT	SUM		F
					SUM	PROB	
1	110	111	.38	0	9	1	0
1	111	112	.30	0	10	1	0
1	112	113	.34	0	9	1	0
1	113	114	.42	1	4	2	0
1	114	115	.50	1	4	2	0
1	115	116	.49	1	4	2	0
1	116	117	.46	2	3	4	0
1	117	118	.49	1	4	2	0
1	118	119	.54	1	4	2	0
1	119	120	.36	1	5	4	0
1	120	121	.37	1	5	4	0
1	121	122	.25	0	15	2	0
1	122	123	.03	2	9	4	0
1	123	124	.34	5	4	4	0
1	124	125	.31	5	4	4	0
1	125	126	.32	4	3	3	0
1	126	127	.32	4	3	3	0
1	127	128	.35	3	3	3	0
1	128	129	.34	3	3	3	0
1	129	130	.33	3	3	3	0
1	130	131	.32	3	3	3	0
1	131	132	.34	3	3	3	0
1	132	133	.36	3	3	3	0
1	133	134	.37	3	3	3	0
1	134	135	.35	3	3	3	0
1	135	136	.35	3	3	3	0
1	136	137	.35	3	3	3	0
1	137	138	.35	3	3	3	0
1	138	139	.31	3	3	3	0
1	139	140	.32	3	3	3	0
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1	141	142	.34	3	3	3	0
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1	143	144	.35	3	3	3	0
1	144	145	.35	3	3	3	0
1	145	146	.35	3	3	3	0
1	146	147	.35	3	3	3	0
1	147	148	.35	3	3	3	0
1	148	149	.35	3	3	3	0
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1	166	167	.35	3	3	3	0
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1	314	315	.35	3	3	3	0
1	315	316	.35	3	3	3	0
1	316	317	.35	3	3	3	0
1	317	318	.35	3	3	3	0
1	318	319	.35				

Table 2. (continued)

BLOCK	I	J	PROB CAT		F		P	
			.00-.09	.10-.19	.20-.29	.30-.39	.40-.49	.50-.59
415	43	3	N	O	F	P	N	O
416	39	4	-1	0	0	0	F	P
417	0	0	0	64	12	-6	16	27
418	0	0	0	64	11	-5	14	23
419	45	5	-1	10	23	1	1	1
420	47	3	4	6	25	1	1	5
421	0	0	0	73	4	7	6	24
422	49	2	0	25	4	0	12	21
423	56	3	2	5	29	3	4	9
424	72	0	4	2	20	1	10	18
436	75	2	1	0	29	6	-7	17
437	61	0	6	0	29	6	-7	17
438	56	2	3	4	38	5	-4	15
439	60	2	3	38	5	2	11	10
440	65	0	4	0	34	0	14	2
504	62	1	5	2	32	2	9	7
505	0	0	0	78	2	10	4	20
506	36	0	1	42	4	2	0	20
507	47	1	0	42	4	7	13	17
509	0	0	0	64	6	4	8	29
510	0	0	0	56	5	5	9	34
511	29	3	0	9	34	6	-2	14
512	32	4	-3	11	31	6	-3	16
513	37	3	0	7	33	3	7	9
514	37	1	6	3	31	4	2	11
515	40	1	7	5	28	3	5	10
516	39	2	0	0	0	31	0	16
517	51	2	0	0	0	62	4	7
518	51	0	0	0	0	65	7	1
519	63	0	0	0	0	69	3	8
520	63	2	0	0	0	70	4	8
521	69	1	1	2	17	0	16	6
522	68	1	0	2	19	0	15	2
523	61	2	0	0	0	74	6	4
524	69	1	5	3	24	3	11	16
525	63	2	2	3	18	1	8	6
533	69	1	1	2	17	0	16	6
534	68	1	0	2	19	0	15	2
535	61	2	0	0	0	74	6	4
536	70	0	3	0	21	3	1	14
537	57	3	2	5	29	2	7	8
538	54	2	5	4	29	5	-2	14
539	58	1	6	2	32	3	7	9
606	60	3	0	1	8	3	6	4
607	34	0	1	8	37	1	12	4
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610	0	0	0	0	0	56	0	0

Table 2. (continued)

BLOCK	I	J	PROB CAT													
			.00-.09	.10-.19	.20-.29	.30-.39	.40-.49	.50-.59	.60-.69	.70-.79	.80-.89	.90-.99	F	P		
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1207	30	2	6	33	6	-3	15	38	11	-4	21	4	0	34	11	
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1212	0	0	0	0	59	1	11	3	41	11	-2	20	9	2	10	18
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1214	0	0	0	0	53	3	7	6	44	16	-11	24	9	5	22	15
1215	36	2	3	5	25	8	-17	24	41	14	-10	23	4	2	-17	29
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Table 2. (continued)

BLOCK	PROB	CAT	.10-.19			.20-.29			.30-.39			.40-.49			.50-.59			.60-.69			.70-.79			.80-.89							
			N	O	F	P	N	O	F	P	N	O	F	P	N	O	F	P	N	O	F	P	N	O	F	P					
1 J	.00-.09																														
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2315	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	40	14	-1	21	69	47-25	28	0	2-15	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
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2504	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	58	6	5	9	49	14	-5	20	2	1-19	28	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
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Table 2. (continued)

Table 3.

109-DAY VERIFICATION SUMMARY FOR 75060100 THROUGH 75093000

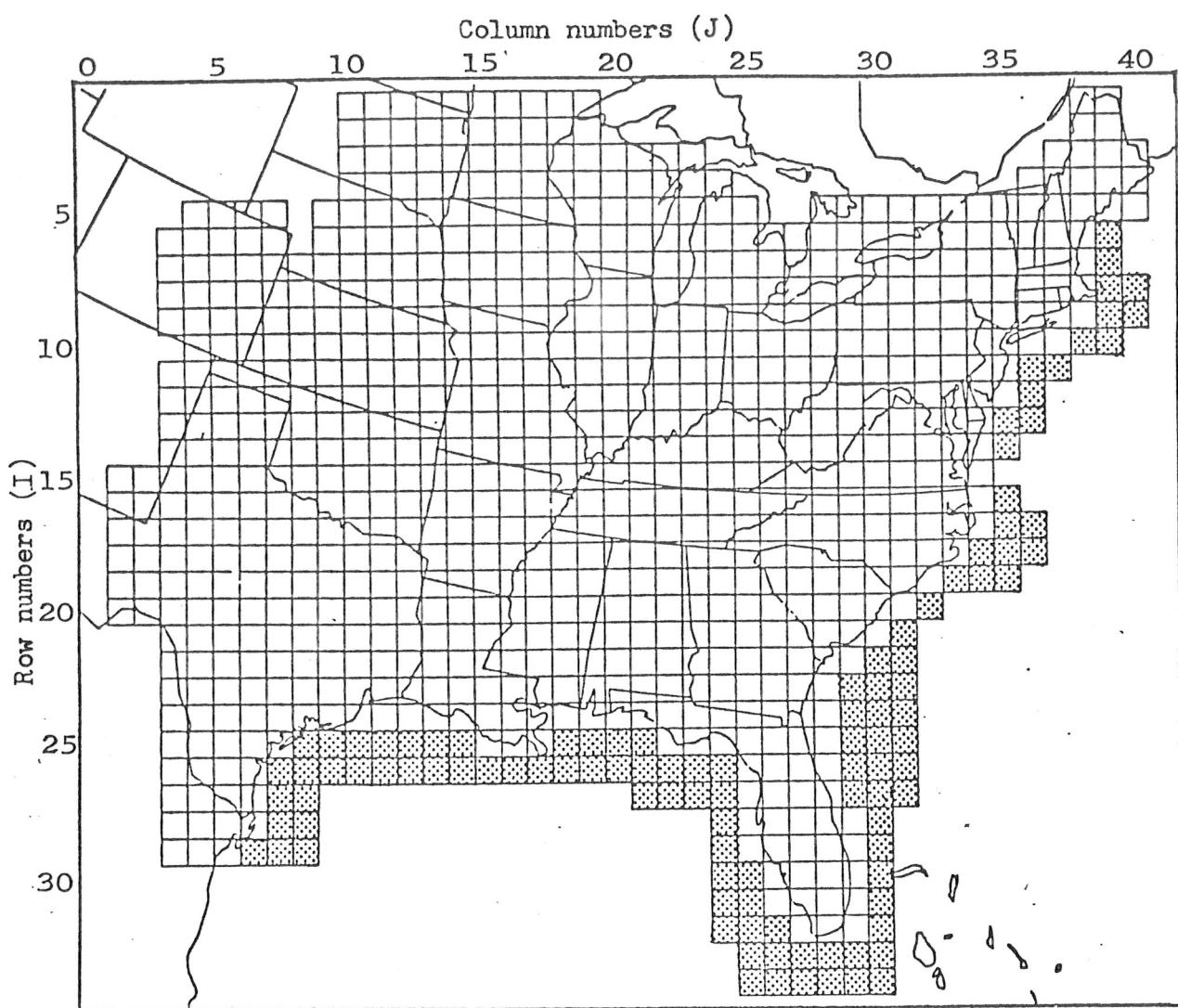


Figure 1. MDR grid region. Data from shaded overwater blocks were not used in the screening regression procedure. Neither were forecasts made for these blocks.

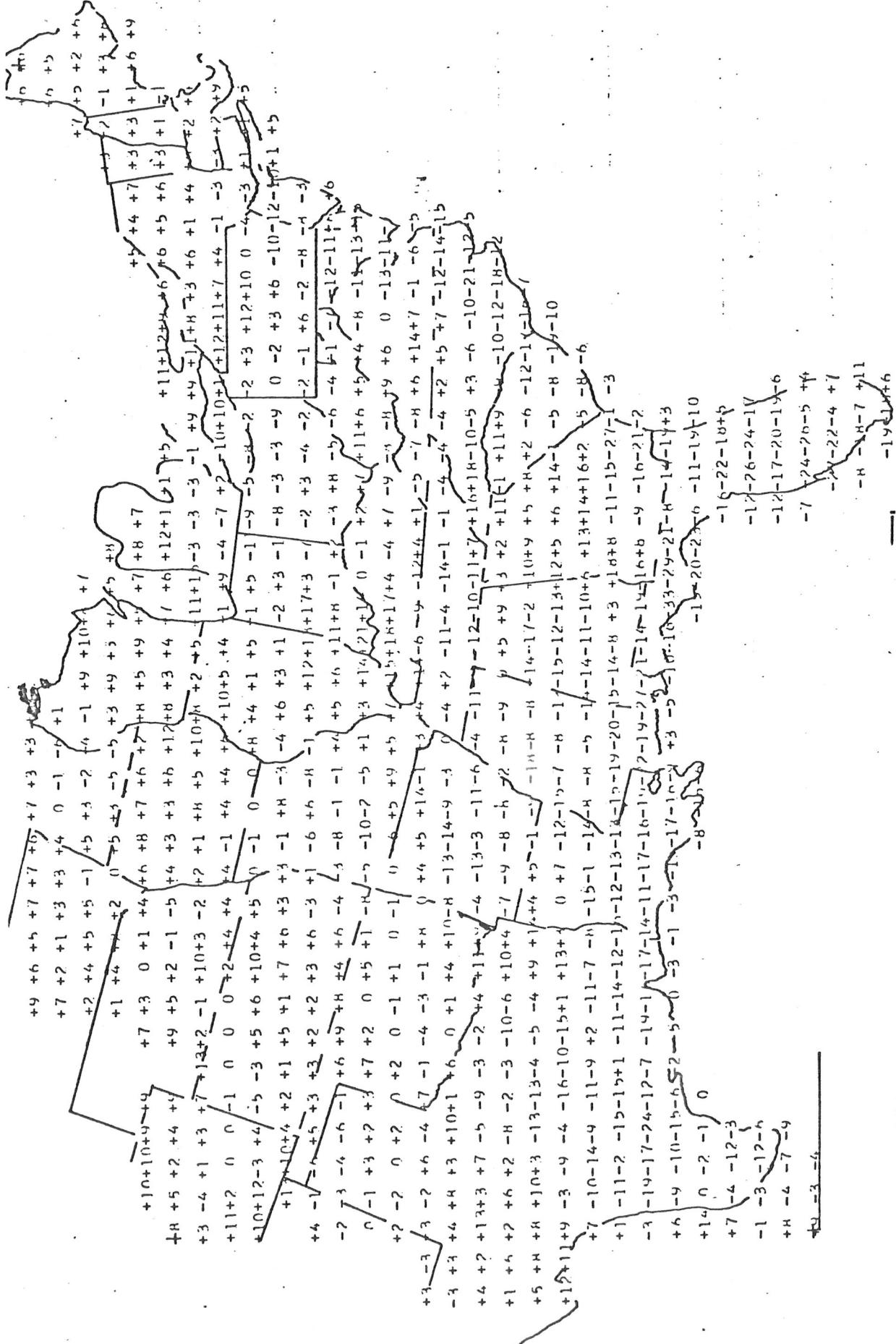


Figure 2. Forecast scores for all categories for period June through September, 1975 (109 days of data).

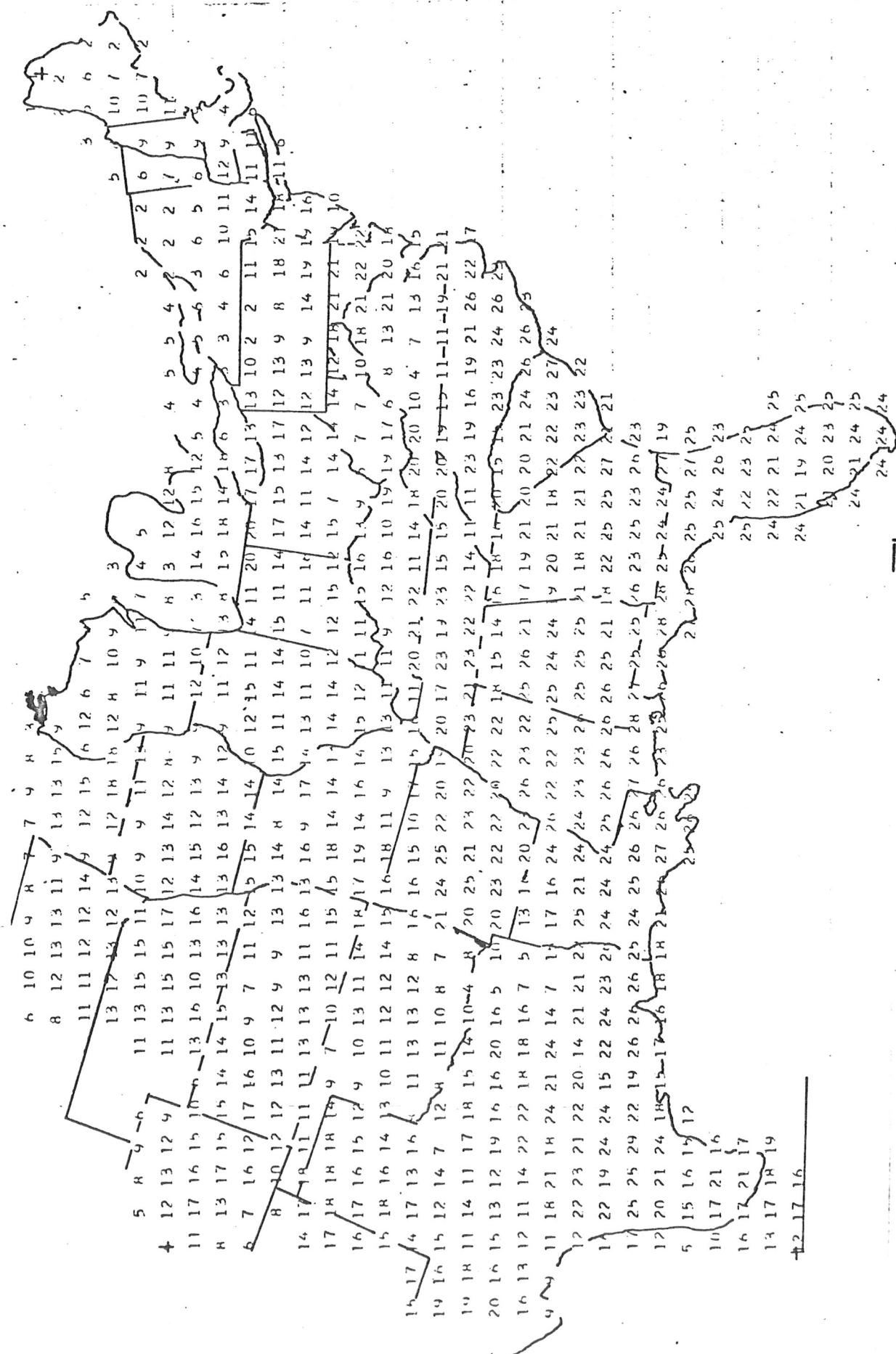


Figure 3. P scores for all categories for period June through September, 1975 (109 days of data).